Che Farmer.

sammer. And it is a good practice to mix claims that he could skin six hogs in less the salt with wood ashes, double the amount | time than they could be dressed by scalding of ashes to salt.

Going in debt has wrecked more fortunes and hopes, made more mortgages, and brought more weinkles to the brow than any other mistake farmers are chargeable with,

Always have a bottle of glycerine in the house. When the boys come from busking corn, chopping wood, or feeding stock with chapped and cracked hands, there is nothing so healing to apply as this substance. A good preventive to sore hands is drying them over the fire every time after washing.

furnished with suitable material, will convert a cartload per mouth into a fertilizer which will produce a good crop of corn. Twelve loads per year multiplied by the number of hogs usually kept by our farmits keeping. In this way we can afford to pounds. make pork at the present law prices, but in no other way can it be done without loss.

One leak on nearly every farm may be found in the neglect of the agricultural implements. In traveling over the country, it is no unusual sight to see plows, harrows, wagons, sleds, reapers and mowers, etc., piled in fence corners, in the fields, lanes, barnyards and public highways. Whenever you see things piled around in this way, you can set it down that there is at least one leak on that farm. An excuse might be found for some farmers of limited means. that they are not able to build shelters for their implements; but we find the same leak on farms where they count their acres by the hundreds, and their dollars by the thousands. And of course the larger the farm the greater the lenk. We believe a careful estimate of the normal shrinkage thus incurred by mean farmers would astonish them, and show why farming does

A writer in the Southern Farmer says that his cow gives all the milk that is wanted in a family of eight, and that from it, after taking out of it all that is required for other purposes, 260 pounds of batter were made this year. This is, in part, his treatment of the cow: If you desire to get a large yield of rich milk, give your cow every day water slightly warm and slightly salted, in which bran has been stirred to the rate of one quart to two gallons of water. You will find, if you have not tried this daily practice, that your cow will give twenty-five per cent, more milk immediately under the effects of it, and she will become so attached to the diet as to refuse to drink clear water unless very thirsty. But this mes he will drink almost any time, and ask for more. The amount of this d ink necessary is an ordinary water pailful at a time, morningnoon and night

It is a common complaint that the farm and farm life are not appreciated by our party's altar! people. We long for the more elegant pur suits, or the ways and fashions of the town But the farmer has the most sane and natural occupation, and ought to find life sweet er, if less highly seasoned, than any other He alone, strictly speaking, has a home. How can a man take root and thrive with: out land? He writes his history upon his field. How many ties, how many resources he has; his friendships with his cattle, his team, his dog, his trees, the satisfaction in his growing crops, in his improved fields t his intimucy with nature, with bird and beast, and with the mickening elemen. forces; his co-operations with the cloud, the sun, the seasons, heat, wind, rain, frost, Nothing will take the various social distempers which the city and artificial life breed out of a man like forming, like direct and loving contact with the soil. It draws out the poison. It humbles him teaches him patience and reverence, and restores the proper tone of his system. Cling to the farm, make much of it, put yourself into it, bestow your heart and your brain sugar it. so that it shall savor of you and rediate your virine after your day's work is done

To neglect young stock of any kind during the winter is a great loss to the owner. But more than any other kind, for they are continually, during feeding time, punched about hook the young ones; and too often these young things-calves and yearlings-have but a scanty supply of food, and when the spring comes with its young growth of grass, the great government inherited from their Stereoscoes & Views, the effect of the young grass shows itself on them for quite a length of time by caus ing them to scour.

My object in writing this article is not for those breeders who have herds of the improved breeds; such men generally have well-arranged barns and yards, and are careful not to let any portion of their stock suffer by neglect or thoughtlessness; but for the general firmers, who are in the habit of raising a few calves each year and keeping them through either for cows, to be used or sold for dairy purposes; or, if steers, when matured, for beef. Farmers are very neglectful, and then complain that their stock does not pay. How should it? Perhaps the calves have to be kept till three and a half or four years old before they are in a condition for a butcher, and then not producing so much good beef as they would have done at two and a half or three years old, had they been properly cared for in the

It will pay to put up temporary sheds rather than let any stock, especially young holder, or non-producer! Enther thin, if eattle, ran out and have to shift for shelter polite and affable to their tender feelings. as best they can. As for the kind of feed, all who claim to be intelligent farmers buy what \$60 would during the war." Does should be themselves the best judges. Per | this not name it plain that these high sale. hape for winter feed there is nothing botte | ries should be reduced, and consequently, than claver buy, or fine blue-grass tay, with the taxes? Selling our and ruining the edge county, dest a liberal feed of corn and outs ground to farmers to feed these exemplary and eco-guarants of spring gether; but for calves I would prefer one numic ment Killing the gouse to get all various stylhalf oats one-fourth corn, and one-fourth the oggs! Let them take warning; when wheat bran. If young eattle had this kind the goose dies their cut is not far off.

of cars, there would not be so much comlaining of sick and unthrifty animals.

I saw a man the other day dressing small pig in a manner which was novel to Instead of the long and laborious method of heating water, and scalding and shaving, he simply skinned the animal. He The pork looked nicer than I expected to see it-in fact, full as well as when the skin was left on. There was one butcher or nore in the neighborhood who skinned hogs for the sake of the skin, and since the process of scalding costs a dollar or more, many of the farmers who do not care to eat the pork rind have their hogs skinned, or such of them as they intend to keep for their own enting. I was unable to learn what price the skins brought in the market, or to what use they are put. Probably they are worth as much as the price asually obtained One hog, kept to the age of one year, if for butchering, or the butchers would not choose to skin for the hide instead of the money. Whether the bides are used for ciding saddles or "Russia leather," handlings and pocket-books, I know not; but if they do the world any good in that way, it ers would make sufficient fertilizing sub- is more than they do in the pork barrel. As stance to grow the corn used by them; or a matter of curiosity I would add, that the in other words, the bog would pay in manure | hide from a 200-pound pig weighs about 12}

Correspondence.

SOME HARD-PAN TRUTH.

Editors of the Brockenridge News: I have seldom perused with more satisfaction any article than the sermon pullished in your paper, delivered by Rev. J. B. Worrall on Thanksgiving Day. If more such sermons were preached it would tend greatly to awaken the people from their cataleptic sleep to a true sense of their own deplorable condition, as well as that of their country. It would give them a correct knowledge of the causes which have led to it. From the bottom of my heart I endorse every word of it, and would that the people could rend and re-read it, and heed its admonitions and warnings. It is cheering to see the pulpit come thus to the front in the good work of stemming the current of corruption and misgovernment that is now de stroying the life of the republic. All honor

to such a man! May more imitate him! "That corrupt men can ensily obtain high places and eat out the very life of the nation," is self-willent, when, as the Louisville Courier-Journal asserted, our last Leg-

laws -a-tj menel in a deanken frolic. Can a nation prosper with such hypocrites as law-makers?

He also states truly, as every patriot nust admit, "tkat statesmanship is no qualfication for distinguished position, and vir the a hindrance." The country's weal merged into that of party. The party is the country is en a small or third. Concern one deny that party shaeldes have not only led Christians to give "their influence to put honor

upon incompetent and bad men," but also on the money and ballot, thus sacrificing the country prosperity upon It is evident that we are in the "venal

age. We have reached that point where men seek office, not for the honor it con fer , but that they may make money." If any doubts it let him look at the mengre specimens of humanity -caricatures of patriots-at present filling our offices, from the highest to the lowest; an incongruous mass, composed of spendthrifts who have run through what they inherited, and now Second Street Between Main and the River seek to live off the country; of men who have never made any thing who live be Horses boarded by the Day or Week at reason MILLER & HOVIOUS. yand their means and pay nobody, and never did; the judge's ermine worn by men who do not blush to contract a debt which they never even expect to try to pay, and taking pay for services they do not render; prosecutors and juries sending poor devils to the penitentiary for the same crimes they, in a roundabout manner, are guilty of; usurers, that class of men who hyena-like, watch a poor fellow till he is embarrassed lengthening his time by changing the case from acute to chronic-ruin not less surely the State, but, alas! also in the church, and the State, but, alas! also in the church, and who, surely, at the final day, will be found below with his Saranic Majesty ciphering when young cattle are neglected by being their per cents. Are not the morals of our herded with large, matured animals in a country low when such men are honored by yard or in an open field, such stock suffer the people? Can the Ship of State sail onouthly on scattering blessings and prosa rits in its wake, with such men at the by the older ones, and these older often helm? Will the Great I Am presper a people who select such men for ralers? These ire questions u or which people should ponder and act, if they wish to transmit

> ne fare of the Israelites! Wiren one handred and fifty farms in Trigg county are advertised for sale for taxes by the sheriff, as you publish, and the money thus raised to feed and fatten such nen on high salaries, when the wages of We are Headquarters for everything to the mechanics have fallen since the war to about two thirds or one-half, as you again pub- Stereopticons and Magic Lanterns. lish, and the salaries of clerks and persons filling similar positions have fallen very little perhaps twenty-five per cent; the rent value of many descriptions of property shrunken from fifty to seventy-five per cent; can you expect other than the rumbling of the Commune, the breaking forth of its fives, where men's farms are old-to raise money to keep up officials in their extravagance—thus depriving them of not only a home for their little ones, but the means whereby to feed and raise them. and scuttering them broadcast on a cold and ancharitable world? " Persons filling similar positions," is a nice and smuoth way of avoiding the obnexious epithet of office-Further on, you publish that "\$16 will

fathers to tuture generations. Beware of

But I somewhat differ with our Reverand brother in placing our hope in the young men and women of the country, puless the old men come to the front, seize the reise. and turn them into a new track. Bring them back to first principles -to the days of homespun-to the days when the girls started to chacci with their shoes and stockings in hand, and put them on only when they arrived in sight of the edifice-wher. the boys and girls danced their rects bere foot, to save their shoes, and in the morning we swept out half a bushel of toe-nails! Let them top off, as it were, and shut down at upon the new, progressive, and extrav- CLOVERPORT. agant ideas of the present time. Let the young men go to work and get proficient in the use of the axe, learn how to handle the plow, etc., instead of devoting their time to the acquisition of mathematica and dead languages, and other branches of "hifalutin," gotten up to fill the pockets of men who wish to shield their laziness under the title of Professor. Let the girls turn their pianos into spinning wheels, and learn to cook and wash. Trained thus, they may

I have the Journals of the last Legislature, both Senate and House, before me, and as soon as I have attended to my old friends of the county court, whose priority of claim to my notice I recognize, and for whom I entertain the utmost respect, instwithstand ing they refused to publish their appropria tions lest old Pisgah might bull loze them. I will endeavor to show the people that though the House fell short in the extent of their reforms, yet they passed many which were smothered in the Senate; -that the latter body, composed as it is mostly of short-line lawyers, usurers, bankers, and bankrupts, defeated every effort to lighten the burdens of the people.

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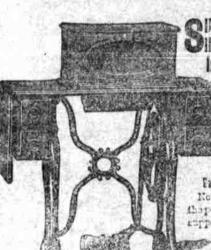
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